

considered a part of the original disclosure of the application. Accordingly, the application cannot be accorded the filing date of October 24, 2001, with pages 7 and 8 as a part of the original disclosure.

Accordingly, the petition is **DISMISSED**.

The petition fee will not be refunded to petitioner.

Pages 7 and 8, submitted as part of the original disclosure of the parent application, will not be entered at this time. However, because the parent application disclosure was incorporated by reference in the above-identified application, applicant may submit pages 7 and 8 as an amendment to be considered by the examiner. Applicant should submit the amendment prior to the first Office action to avoid delays in the prosecution of the application.¹

Any request for reconsideration of this decision should be filed within **TWO (2) MONTHS** of the date of this decision in order to be considered timely. 37 CFR 1.181(f). This time period may not be extended pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136.

Further correspondence with respect to this matter should be addressed as follows:

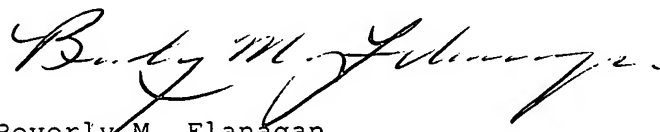
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The application file will be forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for further processing with a filing date of October 24, 2001, using the pages of the specification filed on that date.

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¹ See MPEP 201.06(c).